

**MINUTES OF THE  
HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION MEETING  
MARCH 22, 2005**

The regular session of the Auburn City Historical Design Review Commission was called to order on March 22, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. by Chrm. Smith in the Council Chambers, 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Elder, McCord, Merz, S. White,  
W. White, Briggs, Chrm. Smith

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Powers

**STAFF PRESENT:** Reg Murray, Associate Planner;  
Janet Ferro, Administrative Assistant

**ITEM I: CALL TO ORDER**

**ITEM II: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ITEM III: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of March 1, 2005 were approved as corrected.

**ITEM IV: PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chrm. Smith thanked Comm. McCord for her many years of service to the Planning Commission and the City of Auburn. This is her last meeting; she will be replaced on the Commission by Nancy Thompson.

**ITEM V: PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS – HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW**

**A. Historic Design Review – 1409 Lincoln Way (Connelly Office Building) – File HDR 05-4.** The applicant requests Historic Design Review approval for modifications to the existing monument sign for the offices at 1409 Lincoln Way.

Reg Murray gave the staff report. He described the existing freestanding sign and advised the Commissioners of the

improvements planned. He reviewed the proposed conditions and advised that staff is supportive of the request.

The public hearing was opened.

Brian Connelly, applicant, gave additional information on the proposal.

The public hearing was closed.

The Commissioners all expressed approval of the proposal.

Comm. White **MOVED** to:

- A. Find the project Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act per Section 15311(a); and
- B. Approve the request for 1409 Lincoln Way subject to the conditions listed below.

Comm. McCord **SECONDED**.

The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

The Chairman announced the 10-day appeal period.

## **ITEM VI:**

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Project Auburn – Discuss proposed projects and receive direction from Commission.

Reg Murray advised that City Manager Bob Richardson and Police Chief Nick Willick intended to appear before the Commission at this meeting to review and discuss the scope of what is envisioned for Auburn. As they were not available for tonight's meeting, this item has been continued to the April 5, 2005 hearing.

Chrm. Smith introduced Lorelei Hodkin, City Historian, present at this meeting, who would also like to meet with the Commission at a future meeting to review and explain some of the things that she is working on at this time.

Chrm Smith noted that he would also like a discussion at that meeting on historical homes in Auburn. Councilmember Holmes is also interested in heritage homes and Planner Murray will

contact him to ascertain if he can attend the April 5 meeting and share with the Commission what he has learned in this regard.

**ITEM VII: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT  
FOLLOW-UP REPORTS**

**A. City Council Meetings.**

No report.

**B. Future Historic Design Review Commission Meetings**

No report.

**C. Reports**

None.

**ITEM VII: HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION REPORTS**

None

**ITEM VIII: FUTURE HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION  
AGENDA ITEMS**

As stated above.

**ITEM IX: ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Elaine Ferro, Administrative Assistant